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1. [redacted] two Bulgarian fishing boats at N42-20, E28-25. In the bow of one of these boats was a triangular shaped instrument, which was divided into smaller triangles. 25X1
2. [redacted] two target sleds were observed moored to a buoy; one target was mounted on a raft and the other on a different type of "vessel". 25X1
3. [redacted] a Bulgarian patrol boat [redacted] came alongside of [redacted] ship. This boat had a raised forecastle, a single raked stack, and two masts. There was a gun mounted forward and another aft. On the deck of this boat was an "instrument for searching"1. The boat flew a blue and white flag with an emblem, on both the after mast and the stern. 25X1
4. A pilot boarded [redacted] ship from the patrol boat and the ship proceeded into the inner harbor and moored at the north side, in front of the customs house. Later a doctor and a customs official boarded the ship, made an inspection, sealed the field glasses, and departed. 25X1
5. In front of the large naval barracks, in the inner harbor, [redacted] torpedoes and eight landing craft. Each craft had a flush deck and a single mast mounted well aft. The bow was pointed and at a 45-degree angle with the water level. A gun was mounted on a high platform forward and a machine gun was mounted on top of the cabin, aft. These boats flew the same flag as the patrol boat. Appendix "A" gives sketches of these above boats. 25X1
6. Eight speedboats, resembling the patrol boat, were moored with the landing craft.
7. On the end of the breakwater, at the entrance to the inner harbor, is a guard post. Between this guard post and the shore is the gasoline and crude petroleum storage area.

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8. In the harbor, Bulgarian ships and motorboats were busy unloading timber.
9. A tall radio antenna is located west of Burgas, and a red light is mounted on the top. South of this antenna are three factory buildings with a single chimney. Another factory-like building is located south of these buildings.
10. Appendix "B" shows the Port of Burgas and gives the location of the radio antenna, factory, and other installations? 25X1
11. On 30 April, the streets, shops, and schools in the city of Burgas were decorated with Bulgarian and Soviet flags and pictures of Communist personalities, in preparation for the festival on 1 May. 25X1
12. [redacted] camouflaged guns on Cape "Poffos" (probably Cape Foros), at approximately N42-28, E27-31. 25X1
13. On the southern shore of the Gulf of Burgas, at approximately N42-27, E27-36, [redacted] a round instrument (probably radar), mounted on a conical base. Nearby was a rectangular instrument on a short post mounted on a triangular base. Beside this instrument was a small building. 25X1
14. [redacted] "fake" fortifications at approximately N42-28, E27-41. 25X1

Comments:

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1. The "instrument for searching" may have been a paravane for sweeping mines.
2. The sketch of the Port of Burgas is most interesting in that it shows a basin with a pier just west of the inner harbor and outside of the breakwater and western mole. An interesting new development, if true.

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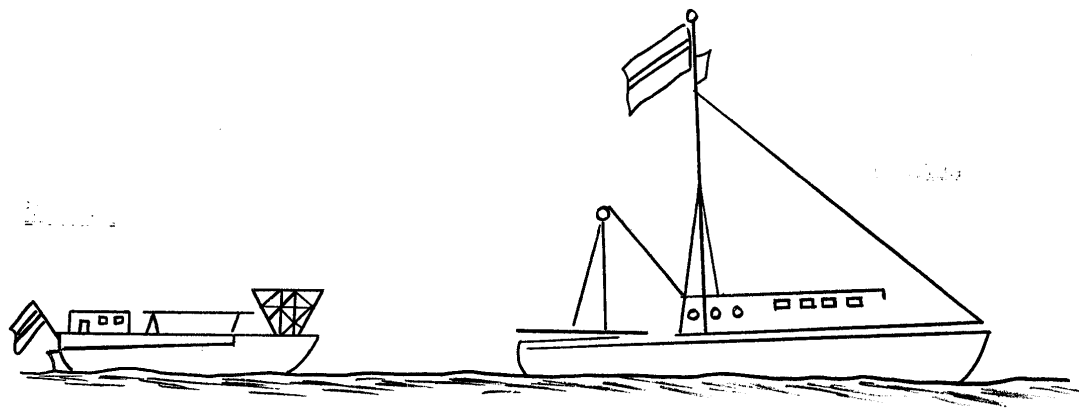
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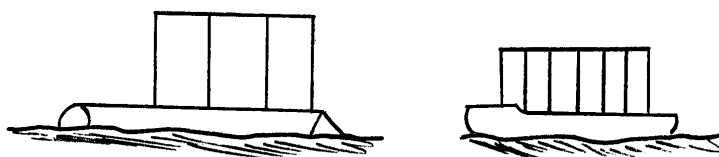
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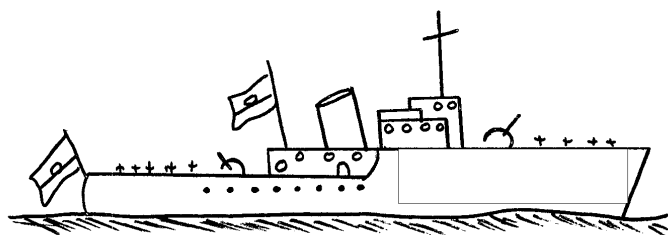
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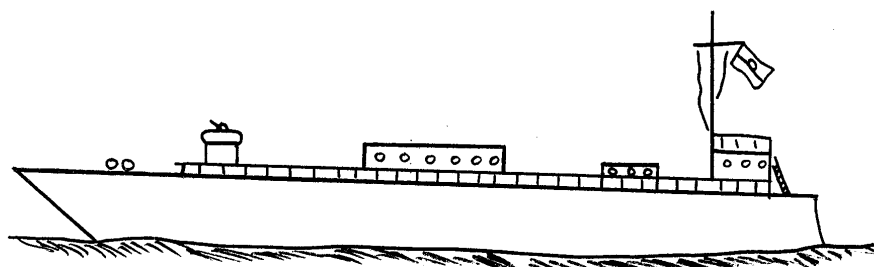


Target Sleds



Patrol Boat

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Landing Craft

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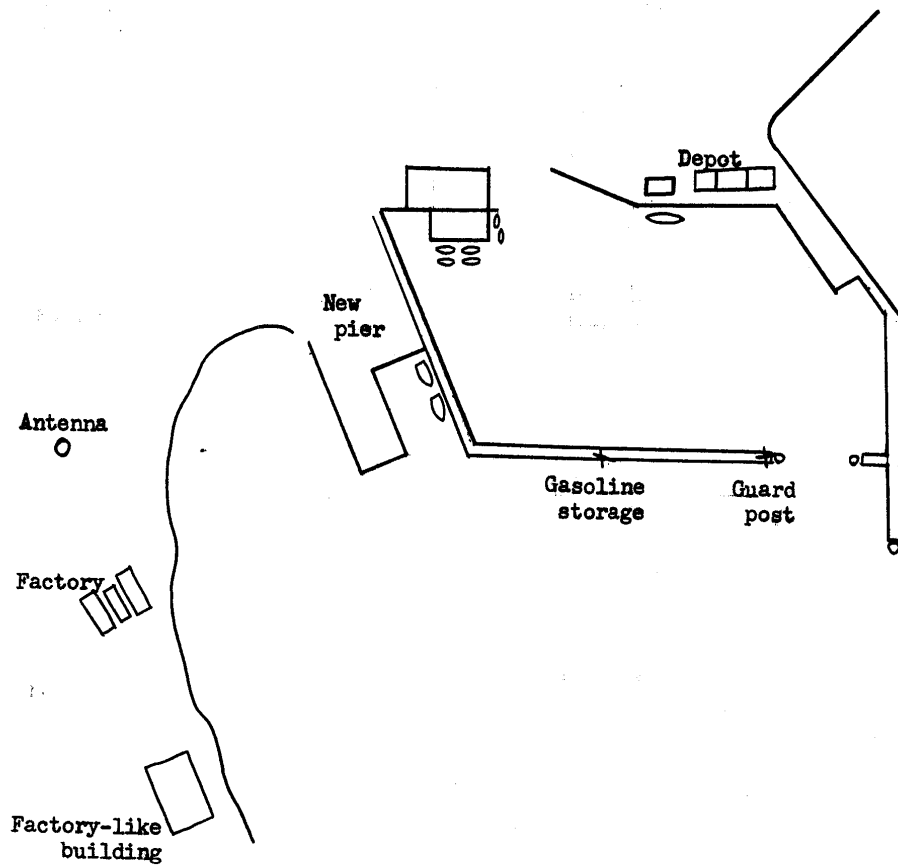
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Port of Burgas



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